

The Eagle's force

William Byrd (c.1540-1623)

Cantus Primus [Alto]

Cantus Secundus [Alto]

Bassus [Tenor]

The Ea - gle's force sub-dues each Bird that

flies: What me - tal may re - sist, re - sist the flam - ing fire?

— that flies: What me - tal may re - sist the flam - ing fire? Doth

that flies: What me - tal may re - sist the flam - ing fire? Doth

Doth not the Sun daz - zle the clear-est eyes, the clear-est eyes, *the*

not the Sun daz - zle the clear-est eyes, the clear-est eyes, *the clear - est*

not the Sun daz - zle the clear-est eyes, daz - - zle the clear -

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clear-est eyes? And melt the ice, and make the frost re -

eyes? And melt the ice, and make the frost re - tire,

- est eyes? And melt the ice, and make the frost re - tire,

-tire, re - tire? Who can with - stand a puis - sant King's de - sire,
 re - tire? Who can with-stand a puis - sant King's de-sire, a
 — re - tire? Who can — with-stand a puis - sant King's de - sire, a puis - sant King's de -

a puis - sant King's de - sire, de - sire? The stiff - est stones are pier-ced
 puis - sant King's de - sire, de - sire? The stiff - est stones
 -sire, a puis - sant King's de - sire, de - sire? The stiff - est stones

through with tools, are pier-ced through with tools, are pier-ced through with
 are pier-ced through with tools, are pier-ced through with tools, are pier-ced through with
 are pier-ced through with tools, are pier-ced through with tools, with

tools, The wis - est are with Prin - ces made but fools,
 tools, The wis - est are with Prin - ces made but fools, are with Prin - ces made but fools,
 tools, The wis - est are with Prin-ces made but fools, the wis - est are with Prin -

the wis - est are with Prin - ces made but fools, made but fools, the wis - est are with

the wis - est are with Prin - ces made but fools, the wis - est are with Prin -

-ces made but fools, the wis - est are with Prin - ces made but fools,

Prin - ces made but fools, made but fools, made but fools. The fools.

-ces made but fools, made but fools, made but fools. fools.

made but fools, made but fools. The fools.

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Text: Thomas Churchyard (c.1520-1604), from *Jane Shore* ("How Shore's wife, Edward the fourth's concubine, was by King Richard despoiled of all her goods, and forced to do open penance"), published in the 1563 edition of *A Myrroure for Magistrates*.

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